

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION IX

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Ted Schade Air Pollution Control Officer Great Basin Unified Air Pollution Control District 157 Short Street Bishop, California 93514

Dear Mr. Schade:

Thank you for your timely submission of the Great Basin Unified Air Pollution Control District 2011 Ambient Air Monitoring Network Plan, April 20, 2011. We have reviewed the submitted document and have found that it is complete, informative, very detailed and meets all of the requirements for annual network plans as required by our regulations set forth under 40 CFR Part 58.10. While this letter serves as official approval of the annual network plan, it does not constitute approval of the system modifications that are proposed in the plan for the future. We will continue to work with your district to review system changes as they proceed.

If you have any questions regarding this letter or enclosed comments, please feel free to contact me at (415) 972-3851 or Michael Flagg at (415) 947-4134.

Sincerely,

Matthew Lakin, Manager Air Quality Analysis Office

Air Division

Enclosure

cc: Christopher Lanane, GBUAPCD

Comments on GBUAPCD 2011 Ambient Air Monitoring Network Plan

Please update next year's annual network plan to reflect the following comments:

- It would be helpful and informative if the site specific information presented on page 20 was updated in order clarify which instruments are operating at each site. For example, the monitor counts and corresponding POC numbers for Keeler and Mammoth Lakes do not match information in AQS. Also, POC numbers are not identified for Bill Stanley, Mono Shore, and White Mountain.
- The site report from Mammoth Lakes does not include information from the filter based PM₁₀ instrument located at the site.
- The plan should specify which sites are considered SLAMS.
- As a general reminder, all future modifications (i.e. site shutdowns or relocation) of the SLAMS network need to be approved by EPA per 40 CFR 58.14.